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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV OTRA BC  
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF BOTSWANA MINEXTAFF MOGWE

1. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER ARCHIE MOGWE TOLD ME AUGUST 2 THAT HE WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, LEAVING HERE AUGUST 14 AND RETURNING TWO WEEKS LATER. MRS. MOGWE WILL ACCOMPANY, ALSO AS GUEST OF PRC.

2. IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTIONS AS TO PURPOSE AND ITINERARY, MOGWE SAID A SCHEDULE IS BEING WORKED OUT THIS WEEK WITH PRC CHARGE; HE EXPECTED IT TO INCLUDE ONE WEEK OF TRAVEL WITHIN PRC. UPON RETURN HERE LATE AUGUST, MOGWE EXPECTS TO TAKE LEAVE BEFORE GOING TO NEW YORK FOR UNGA SESSION, ARRIVING LATE SEPTEMBER.

3. COMMENT: MOGWE IS LATEST IN SERIES OF GOB MINISTERIAL-LEVEL VISITORS TO PRC SINCE PRESIDENT KHAMA WENT TO PEKING JUST TWO YEARS. AGO. MOGWE HAS EARNED REPUTATION AS ALMOST  
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PERPETUAL TRAVELER; IN MAY HE VISITED SOUTH KOREA; BEGINNING MID-JUNE HE SPENT SEVEN CONSECUTIVE WEEKS ON MISSIONS IN EUROPE (TO PROMOTE BOTSWANA BEEF), AFRICA (ON FACT-FINDING MISSION TO SAO TOME AND PRINCIPLE AND FOR OAU SUMMIT), AND BACK TO BELGRADE FOR NAM CONFERENCE. MOGWE IS ENERGETIC, ARTICULATE AND

INDEPENDENT-MINDED. THESE ARE QUALITIES THAT  
HELP ACCOUNT FOR THE REPORT HERE THAT HIS NAME  
WAS AMONG THOSE ADVANCED AT KHARTOUM AS  
POSSIBLE SUCCESSOR TO OAU SEC GEN WHEN LATTER  
PULLED OUT OF CONTENTION.  
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